

A Celebration of Life

In Loving Memory Of

Mother Lettie B. Crouch

Sunrise - June 10, 1898 - Sunset - March 20, 2005



March 28, 2005

Emmanuel Church of God in Christ
1399 East Thirty-Third Street - Los Angeles, California



Pastor Wilbert Jones, Jr.
Emmanuel Church of God in Christ

Bishop Charles E. Blake/Prelate
First assistant Presiding Bishop

Officiating
Commemorative Service
For
Mother Lottie B. Crouch

Order of Service

Processional

Master of Ceremony Pastor Wilbert Jones, Jr.

Invocation.....Dr. James Lewis, Sr.

Scripture:

Old Testament.....Pastor Darryl Jones

New Testament.....Pastor James Stovall

Choir....."Jesus is the Sweetest Name I Know"



Family Friends

Mr. John P. Wilbourne
Moondera & Gregory
Rev. Dr. Dyke Redmond
Mr. James Barker
Pastor Leonard T. Jones
Bishop Edward McLachlan
Bishop Robert Clark

Selection:

Pastor Andrae & Ms. Sandra Crouch

Church Family

Mrs. Willie Belle Lewis
Dr. Kathryn Bankhead
Mr. Hiram Wilbourne
District Missionary Helen Davis

State Administrative Assistants... Dr. Joseph W. Mayfield
Superintendent.....Superintendent Lenton H. Lenoir
Pastors.....Superintendent Robert Cole
Department of Women.....Dr. Barbara McCoo Lewis
State Supervisor of Women

Choir....."It Is No Secret What God Can Do"

Acknowledgements.....Mrs. Helen James



Resolutions.....Ms. Victoria Eskridge

Emmanuel Church of God in Christ
Southern California First Jurisdiction

Obituary.....Mrs. Mary Mayfield Smith

Tribute.....Judge Mablean Ephriam

Remarks

Bishop F. J. Goodman, *Prelate*
Southern California Evangelistic Jurisdiction

Bishop Roy E. Dixon, *Prelate*
Southern California Fourth District

Remarks/Presentation of *First Assistant Presiding Bishop*

Bishop George D. McKinney, *Prelate*
Southern California Second Jurisdiction
General Board

Mrs. Doris W. Wilbourne: "My living Shall Not Be In Vain"..

Eulogy

Bishop Charles E. Blake
Prelate Southern California First Jurisdiction/
First Assistant Presiding Bishop

Parting View
Recessional
Interment Inglewood Cemetery

Obituary

Lottie B. Crouch was born in Fort Smith, Arkansas on June 10, 1898 to Luvenia and Hayes Pegues. There were 12 children born to this union. At the age of 18, upon the death of her mother, Mother Crouch reared her siblings. They all preceded her in death. After graduating from Lincoln High School in Fort Smith, Arkansas she taught school and worked for Madam C.J. Walker. She graduated from Madam C. J. Walker school of Cosmetology and later became a beautician. She then created her own "hair tonic" called "Lottie's hair tonic".

In 1933 she married Bishop Samuel Martin Crouch and became the Mother to his six children – the eldest of whom was 16 and the youngest was barely walking. For more than 40 years Mother Crouch stayed by the side of her late husband as he stood at the helm of the Emmanuel Church of God in Christ at the corner of 33rd and Compton. As Emmanuel's first lady, many advancements resulted from her hard work, organizational

skills, intelligence and tender heart. God in his providence, not only blessed the pastor with a remarkable help meet but graced Emmanuel with an invaluable 1st lady whose affection and influence shall always be remembered.

As the wife of the overseer of the State she was a prominent presence in many of the historic achievements of the church. She was there for the great renovation of the Emmanuel Church edifice, she was there through the garden prayer meetings of Mother E. J. Dabney, she was there through the establishment of the Mission and Rest Home and the 252 unit Ontario Gardens apartment complex and chapel for senior citizens. She was there in 1962 when the former Lincoln Theatre on Central Avenue was purchased and transformed into Crouch State Temple, she was there through the establishment of the Emmanuel Bible Institute with Mother Cora Berry. She was there under the leadership of Mother L. O. Hale, State Supervisor of Women. Mother Crouch was there in 1968 and again in 1973 when Bishop Crouch was named Second and then First Assistant to the Presiding Bishop of the Church of God in Christ. She was there when he was appointed a member of the Presidium of the Board of the



World Pentecostal Conference. And she was very much there to greet the delegates of the National Women's Convention when its first convention was hosted in Los Angeles. She was a strong spiritual advisor and support for many in the church and for the church as a whole. She often admonished the people that they must get on their knees and talk to God and seek Him with all their heart and mind.

She leaves to cherish her memory seven grandchildren – Georgina Brown (Sterling) Wallace, LaVern R. Vaughn, Samuel Crouch 111, Charles Crouch, Renee Crouch, Monica (Samuel) Scott, Diane Martin , great grandchildren and great, great grandchildren. One son-in law, Lucius Vaughn, One nephew in-law and confidant Abe Haywood (Jeanett). One niece, Nora Briggs, great nephew, Andrae Crouch and one great niece, Sandra Crouch. One god-daughter, Colette Powell. Three god-sons, James Barker, John P. Wilbourne, and Dyke Redmond and a host of friends.

A soldier gone home!



Active Pallbearers

Dyke Redmond	Terri McCoy
Staglee Brown	Michael Howard
Gregory Brown	John Wilbourne
Edward Wilbourne, Sr.	Lawrence Counter

Honorary Pallbearers

Mothers Board
Emmanuel Church of God in Christ

Flowerbearers

Emmanuel Deaconess Board

A Special Thank You From The Family

*Your kindness and your graciousness,
Has graced our pathway
We are so appreciative,
Of your thoughtful ways
Your prayers, your gifts and your love,
Are gentle reflections sent from above.*



"I HAVE A HOME NOT MADE WITH HANDS"